

Amendments to the Claims

This Listing of Claims replaces all versions, and listing of claims, in this application.

Listing of Claims

1-3 (Canceled).

4. (Currently Amended) An isolated polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is a von Willebrand Factor A-Related Protein (WARP) comprising the entire amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:6 ~~encoded by the nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of:~~

i. ~~a nucleotide sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:5; and~~

ii. ~~a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to the complement of SEQ ID NO:5 under high stringency conditions of 0.1 x SSC buffer, 0.1% w/v SDS at a temperature of at least 65°C;~~

~~wherein said polypeptide specifically binds to an antibody directed toward a von Willebrand Factor type A domain.~~

5-42. (Canceled).

43. (Currently Amended) An isolated polypeptide, wherein said polypeptide comprises a von Willebrand Factor A-Related Protein (WARP) encoded by a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of:

i. a nucleotide sequence having at least ~~about~~ 95% identity to the entire nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:5; and

ii. a nucleotide sequence having at least ~~about~~ 99% identity to the entire nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:5[[.]],

~~and wherein said polypeptide specifically binds to an antibody directed toward a von Willebrand Factor type A domain~~ comprises one von Willebrand Factor A (VA)-like domain, a putative metal ion-dependent adhesion site (MIDAS) motif, two fibronectin type III-like repeats, and a short proline and arginine-rich segment.

44. (Currently Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 43, wherein encoded by the
nucleotide sequence is having at least 99% similar identity to the entire nucleotide sequence set
forth in SEQ ID NO:5.